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VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL

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RE: The Chemical Recovery Systems Site, Elyria, Ohio
General Notice of Potential Liability and Request for Information

Dear Ms. Sheppard-Johnson:

The Perry Nuclear Power Plant (PNPP) is in receipt of the above Notice, dated March 2, 2001. PNPP is a nuclear generating plant licensed by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and owned and operated by subsidiaries of FirstEnergy Corp. (FE) in Akron, Ohio. The Notice was forwarded to the FE corporate headquarters for review and assistance. I represent the PNPP subsidiary operating company, FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company (FENOC) and the FE subsidiary owners, Ohio Edison, Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, The Toledo Edison Company and the Pennsylvania Power Company. On behalf of FENOC and the facility owners I am requesting a thirty day extension of time in which to respond to both the questionnaire and the information requests for the following reasons.

The Notice was received by FE on Monday, March 5th. Given the volume and complexity of the questionnaire, there is insufficient time under the ten day response period outlined in your letter in which to conduct both a records search and prepare our responses. The CRS Site apparently closed in 1981. PNPP began commercial operations in November 1987. Therefore, our document search entails retrieving records which have long since been archived as construction records.

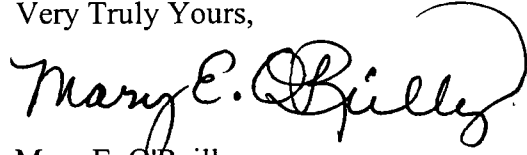
In addition, PNPP is currently engaged in a refueling outage which is expected to be completed on or about March 19th. A refueling outage at a nuclear power plant requires the involvement of all site personnel, including those responsible for records management and

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environmental services. These are also the key people needed to assist in the effort required to adequately respond to the CRS Site Notice.

In closing, I again request an extension of time to respond to the questionnaire on or before April 16, 2001 and to the information requests on or before May 11, 2001. Your attention to this request is greatly appreciated.

Very Truly Yours,



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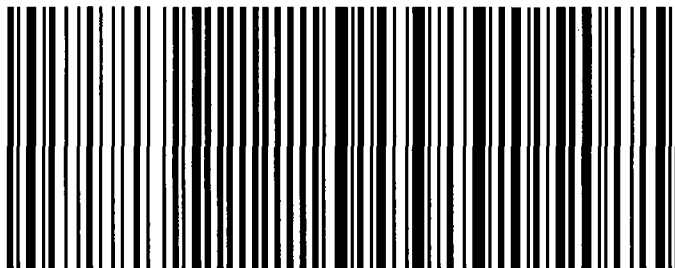


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